Directives to States for Observance of Child Labour Act

561. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Advisory Committee on Child Labour has directed the State Governments to ensure strict observance of all norms for Child Labour Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Governments have taken any action on these directives; and

(d) if so, the names of such States and the steps taken by them and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Ceiling for Grant of Bonus

562. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ceiling of Rs. 2500 for grant of bonus to the workers in public sector undertakings and ad hoc bonus to the Central Government employees was fixed in 1985;

(b) whether Government have received any representations from the various Unions/Associations of the workers in the recent past; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken thereon?

% Previously **Unstarred Question 164 transferred from 8th August, 1990.**

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The matter is under consideration.

Cheating by a Bombay Based Recruiting Agent

%563. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 100 Indian were stranded recently without wages and adequate amenities in Iraq due to alleged job-scandal and swindling by a Bombay based recruiting agent;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken to apprehend the culprit;

(c) whether it is also a fact that our Embassy as per procedure has to certify about the credentials of an employer; if so, why such a procedure was not followed by the employer in this case;

(d) whether Government would immediately set up a CBI inquiry into the whole affair so the innocent Indian people are not cheated like this; and

(e) whether Government propose to help the Indians who got stranded in Iraq?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) It is not a fact that 100 Indians were stranded recently in Iraq.